

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 13 of the specification, please replace the paragraph spanning lines 1-6 with the following replacement paragraph.

FIG. 2 is a gel that shows the results ~~paradigmatic example~~ of IL-10 genotyping for ~~six~~ five different patient samples. In each gel the heaviest bands correspond to the amplicons of the human beta-globin gene which is used as the internal controls. The other specific amplified DNA fragments correspond to the polymorphisms of the IL-10 gene: GCC/GCC (A), GCC/ACC (B), GCC/ATA (C), ACC/ACC (D), ACC/ATA (E), ATA/ATA (F), and